is untrained will be selected, if he is considered fit to profit by the training, is not old, or has put in a fair amount of service.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH (Mandya Taluk).—

*Q.*—15. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) What is the number of Agricultural Inspectors residing in the same place for the last five years?

(2) Have the accounts of these offices been inspected?

(3) How many times have the Mysore, Chamarajnagar and Maddur Range Offices been audited since the date of their inspection?

(4) What is the number of days occupied in audit every year?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

*A.*—15. (1) Four in the Eastern and one in the Western Division.

(2) The accounts are periodically inspected by the Divisional Officers.

(3) and (4) The Maddur Depot has been audited by an Auditor of the Comptroller's Office from 22nd February 1926 to 14th May 1926, and the Mysore Depot from 13th May 1927 to 6th August 1927 by an Accountant of the Agricultural Department. The annual inspections of Divisional Officers take about three days each. The Chamarajnagar Depot has been inspected by the Deputy Director from time to time.

*Supplementary Questions and Answers.*

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

The answer given to the third part of the question is not to the point. Will Government, at least now, say how many times the accounts were audited?

**Third Member of Council.—**

I am sorry the answer did not meet that point.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

Does it mean that the Comptroller did not audit every year?

**Third Member of Council.—**

It is impossible for the Comptroller's Office to hold an audit every year. All the same, annual inspections are made by the Divisional Officers.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

From the answer given to (3) and (4), does it mean that the audit took place for 3 months from February to May?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Yes.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

Is there no difference between audit by the Comptroller's Office and a departmental audit ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

There is difference.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

If so, why were the accounts not audited every year by the Comptroller ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

It was difficult.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

What was the reason for retaining some of the Agricultural Inspectors in the same place for 5 years and over ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

The Inspectors have practical experience of local conditions. If a new man is posted, he will have to take time before acquainting himself with local conditions.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah —**

Do Government think that only those who have been retained for 5 years have worked well ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

In many cases, officials will have to be kept on for long for various reasons.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

Will those men be transferred at least now?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Government cannot commit themselves to such undertaking.

**Mr. H. C. Dasappa.—**

Is there no standing rule governing the transfer of officials in the Agricultural Department?

**Third Member of Council —**

I do not think so.

**Mr. H. C. Dasappa.—**

Will the standing rules of other departments not apply to this department?

**Third Member of Council.—**

The department has a practice of its own in the matter.

**Mr. H. C. Dasappa —**

Are there no standing rules at all?

**Third Member of Council.—**

None that will apply to all the Government Departments.

**Mr. Nilgiri Sanjeeviah.—**

Are there separate rules for each department?

**Third Member of Council.—**

But Government cannot make rules such as will apply to all the departments.

**Mr. Nilgiri Sanjeeviah.—**

If officials are kept on in the same place for years together, will it not result in the raiyats being harassed?

**Third Member of Council.—**

The departmental officers are empowered to use their discretion in the matter of transfer of officials.

**Mr. Nilgiri Sanjeeviah.—**

If the departmental officers are in favour of a particular candidate being kept on in the same place, will it be conducive to public interests ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

That question is too general. We cannot say that officers do so generally.

**Mr. N. Sanjeeviah.—**

When such cases are brought to the notice of Government, should not the officers responsible be punished ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Government will take the necessary action in such cases.

**Mr. Ramakrishna Iyer.—**

Is it the intention of Government to transfer the officials referred to in view of the questions now put ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Government have no such idea.

**Mr. G. B. Raghavendra Char.—**

Is it right to transfer them, because some questions are put in regard to them?

**Third Member of Council.—**

No.

**Mr. H. B. Gundappa.—**

Has it come to the notice of Government that the raiyats are subjected to great many difficulties owing to the non-transfer of some of the officials ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

Government are not prepared to accept that opinion.

**Mr. Kesavaiah.—**

Is it usual for any official to apply for being kept on for years together ?

**Third Member of Council.—**

There are a few such cases.

**Mr. S. C. Malliah.—**

With reference to answer to Part 1 what is the reason why four persons were allowed to remain in the same place in the Eastern Division and only one in the Western Division?

**Third Member of Council.—**

There may be various reasons. But it was not a special concession shown to them. It was purely a matter of accident.

MR. K. V. VEERANNA (Chamarajnagar Taluk) and MR. JUNJAPPA *alias* PUTTASWAMY (Malvalli Taluk).—

*Q.*—16. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) Whether they are aware of the dilapidated condition of certain valuable temples under Muzrai management?

(2) If so, is it not a loss to Government not to get them repaired?

(3) If so, why not repair the following temples:—

(*a*) *Bhujangeswara* Temple, Ummathur, Chamarajnagar Taluk,

(*b*) *Ranganathaswamy* Temple, Chamarajnagar Taluk,

(*c*) *Veerabhadraswamy* Temple of *Guddada Mutt*?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.—

*A.*—16. (1) Some temples require repairs.

(2) Repair works are being carried out so far as funds permit.

(3) Action has already been taken or is being taken about the repairs of these temples.

*Supplementary Questions and Answers.*

**Mr. K. V. Veeranna.—**

Will Government give me information about the financial condition of the Bujangeswara Temple?